House Resolution No. 3102

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who have proven down through the years to be exemplary citizens in local communities and neighborhoods through the excellence of their achievements as spiritual leaders; and

Whereas, Dr. William R. Boone of Waynesville, Missouri, has served with distinction as the senior pastor of Greater Community Baptist Church, a role that will be publically acknowledged by the church at a Pastoral Appreciation Ceremony; and

Whereas, after accepting the call to preach, William Boone enrolled in the Interdenominational Theological Center, completed a Master of Divinity degree, and then earned a Master of Arts degree in pastoral psychology from Azusa Pacific University and the California Family Studies Center and a Doctor of Ministry degree from Drew University; and

Whereas, Dr. William R. Boone also completed the Chaplain's Basic Course and served as a United States Army Battalion and Brigade Chaplain, Family Life Chaplain, Resource Manager, and Community Chaplain before retiring from the armed forces after achieving the rank of Lieutenant Colonel and serving for twenty years; and

Whereas, Dr. William Boone returned to the church he had helped found, Greater Community Baptist Church, where he is universally praised as a Missouri Baptist State Convention representative to the National Baptist Convention, treasurer for the Home Mission Board, Dean of the Southwest District Baptist Association, and secretary of the Chaplains Professional Development Conference of the National Baptist Convention's Congress of Christian Education; and

Whereas, the author of <u>This is Our Story</u>, <u>A Historical Portrait of the Missionary Baptist</u>

<u>Convention of Missouri</u>, Dr. William Boone is justifiably proud also to be known as the beloved husband of Helen L. Boone; loving father of William R. Boone, II, and Kimberly Allyce Spears:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the personal and professional accomplishments garnered thus far in the life and work of Dr. William Boone and to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt congratulations upon his receipt of special honors and accolades from his Greater Community Baptist Church; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to Dr. William R. Boone of Waynesville, Missouri.

Offered by	
	Representative David Day
	District No. 148

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3102, adopted May 15, 2008.